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Revival of Airports/Airstrips
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of airports/airstrips in the country lying idle and not used for commercial purposes;

(b) whether the Union Government has prepared an action plan to revive 160 airports and airstrips across the country;

(c) if so, the details of the airports and airstrips likely to be revived and revenue involved in reviving the same and source of mobilizing revenue;

(d) the role to be played by the State Governments in reviving the said airports and airstrips; and

(e) the funds allocated, released and spent by the Government under regional air connectivity scheme to connect remote towns and cities by air?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION

(Dr Mahesh Sharma)

(a): The list of non-operational airports of Airports Authority of India (AAI) and operational airports of AAI which have no scheduled flight operations are at Annexure-I and Annexure-II respectively.

(b) to (d): The proposal for revival of airstrips/airports is presently under active consideration in the Government.

(e): No funds have been allocated for Regional Connectivity Scheme in the current financial year.